

North Haven Public Schools

North Haven, Connecticut 06473

Curriculum, Instruction, and Planning

Monday, May 4, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Curriculum & Instruction Meeting

Minutes

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9 AM Central Office

Anita Anderson, Wes O'Brien, Dana Corriveau, Russ Dallai, Kristine Blauvelt and Melinda McKenna were in attendance.

- Tier III Intervention Program for Students at Risk of Dropping Out Proposal- Dr. Dallai and Kristine Blauvelt joined us for this discussion. Dr. Dallai provided the group with an overview of his proposal and will do a full presentation to the board in July or August. The C & I committee approved this proposal and Dr. Dallai will work with the staff at the high school, Kristine Carling (Director of Finance) and the union to establish teacher stipends and allocate funds. With the committee's approval to move forward, Dr. Dallai can begin to lead work at the building level to put this program in place.
- Freshman Academy Proposal- Dr. Dallai joined us to share this proposal. Dr. Dallai shared that they would like to change the name of this program to Student Success Seminar and that it be a .25 course offering. Dr. Dallai will present this proposal to the full board at May's BOE meeting. With board approval, more work will need to be done at the building level to determine which teachers should teach these courses and to determine schedules for both students and teachers. Consideration needs to be given to the impact on class sizes and teacher certification.
- NAEYC Accreditation Update- Dana Corriveau joined us to provide an update. She shared a portfolio that the teachers in the program are currently working on. Dana shared the work that has been done to date and reported that the development of Program Portfolio is next. The application has been submitted and they will host a site visit next spring.
- Nature's Classroom- The group discussed Nature's Classroom and ways that all students in the district can have this experience. This will continue to be an agenda item.
- Club Proposal: "Girl Up"- Club approved and C & I group would like to have student clubs present out at future BOE meetings to highlight the good work they are doing.
- Added agenda item: Textbook Adoption- Mrs. McKenna asked the group if they would be willing to discuss two Textbook Adoption Protocols that were submitted after the C & I packets were sent out. The group agreed and they adopted Foundations of Personal Finance for the Advance Personal Finance Course (funded by the Perkins Grant) and Reflections: Patterns for Reading and Writing for the Senior English Pathways Grade 12 Course.